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SUBJECT: BRITISH AND FRENCH POSTURE ON ISRAELI POLICY TOWARD
OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

1. BRITISH EMBASSY INFORMED US SEPT 18 THAT SPOKESMAN
OF BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE ON SEPT 5, ANSWERING QUERY
FROM LONDON DAILY TELEGRAPH, STATED: BEGIN QUOTE.
BRITAIN HAS ALREADY DEPLORED THE CONTINUING OCCUPATION.
IT FOLLOWS THAT THE POLICY AT PRESENT BEING IMPLEMENTED
WHICH APPEARS TO PROVIDE FOR A PERMANENT ISRAELI CIVILIAN
PRESENCE IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES IS ALSO TO BE
DEPLORED. END QUOTE. ACCORDING TO BRITISH EMBASSY,
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THIS STATEMENT ONLY APPEARED IN THE ONE LONDON PAPER. IT
WAS REPORTED WITHOUT COMMENT IN ONLY ONE ISRAELI PAPER,

AND TO BEST OF OUR AND BRITISH EMBASSY'S KNOWLEDGE, THERE HAS BEEN NO ISRAELI REACTION OF ANY KIND. IT WORTH NOTING THAT AT HIS HOME LAST EVENING THE BRIT AMB EXPRESSED TO ME HIS DEEP CONCERN OVER THE LABOR ALIGNMENT PLATFORM RE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.

2. FRENCH EMBASSY POLITICAL COUNSELOR SEPT 18 CALLED AT EMBASSY TO ASK ABOUT US POSTURE THIS SUBJECT AND WAS GIVEN COPY OF DEPT SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENT OF AUGUST 23 (STATE 167892). ACCORDING TO FRENCH EMBASSY, GOF HAS ISSUED NO COMMENT OF ANY KIND ON GALILI DOCUMENT, IN ALL LIKELIHOOD BECAUSE FRENCH LEADERSHIP PREOCCUPIED SINCE EARLY AUGUST WITH OTHER MATTERS, INCLUDING POMPIDOU TRIP TO CHINA. FRENCH COUNSELOR SAID HIS EMBASSY WOULD RECOMMEND TO PARIS THAT, IN VIEW OF GALILI DOCUMENT'S FORMAL ADOPTION SEPT 3 AS PLANK OF LABOR PARTY PLATFORM IN FORTHCOMING KNESSET ELECTION, GOF REFRAIN FROM PUBLIC COMMENT, AS IT WOULD CONSTITUTE INTERFERENCE IN ISRAELI DOMESTIC POLITICS, BUT THAT ONCE NEW GOI IS FORMED AT END OF YEAR, GOF ACTIVELY OPPOSE STEPS BY GOI TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN GALILI DOCUMENT.
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